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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Dos Santos *et al.* : Examiner: Cordero Garcia, M. M.  
Serial No.: 10/563,276 : Art Unit: 1654  
: Confirm. No. 4311  
: Docket No.: VA/H-33271A  
Filed: January 4, 2006 :  
For: PROTEIN FROM PHOTOBACTERIUM DAMSELAE AND USE THEREOF

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
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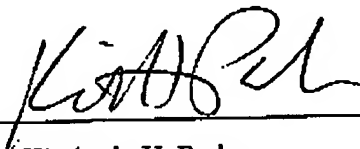
Sir/Madam:

The Office Action of March 4, 2008 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on April 4, 2008. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge the extension fee to the Deposit Account No. 50-4389. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-4389 in the name of Novartis Animal Health US, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 5, 2008

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